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SUBJ: DISCUSSION OF LOS AND OTHER UNGA ISSUES WITH MFA

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1. EMBOFF SEPT 14 DISCUSSED SEVERAL QUESTIONS NOT COVERED IN EARLIER MEETING (REFTEL A) DURING CALL ON V.A. ROMANOV, FIRST SECY IN MFA TREATY AND LEGAL DIV, WHO HAS LOS RESPONSIBILITIES.

2. LOS. (REFTEL B) IN ANSWER TO QUESTION REGARDING SOVIET THOUGHTS ON CONFERENCE SCHEDULE, ROMANOV, SAID SOVIETS CONTINUE TO FAVOR SLIGHT POSTPONEMENT OF SUBSTANTIVE SESSION OF COTFERENCE. HE NOTED THAT IDEA OF POSTPONEMENT WAS FAVORED BY SOME LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND EMPHASIZED THAT MAIN THING IS TO HAVE PREPARATOR WORK COMPLETED BEFORE CONFERENCE BEGINS. WHEN ASKED WHAT HE MEANT BY SLIGHT POSTPONEMENT, ROMANOV SAID THAT SOME HAVE SUGGESTED JULY OR
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AUGUST AND ADDED "WE ARE OPEN-MINDED" ON THAT. EMBOFF OUTLINED

U.S. VIEWS PER REFTEL.

3. ON LOS INVITATION FORMULA, ROMANOV SAID USSR NOT HAPPY WITH VIENNA FORMULA AND FAVORED "ALL STATES" FORMULA OR ANY OTHER FORMULA "NOT OF DISCRIMINATORY NATURE". WHEN EMBOFF, IN RESPONSE TO ROMANOV'S QUESTION, EXPLAINED THAT US FAVORS "STATES MEMBERS" PLUS DRV, HE COMMENTED, "THAT'S PROGRESS", BUT SAID HE WAS NOT IN POSITION TO EXPRESS OFFICIAL VIEW.

4. TERRORISM ISSUES (REFTEL C). EMBOFF NOTED OUR SATISFACTION THAT US AND SOVIET DELEGATIONS ARE IN CLOSE CONTACT AT HIJACKING CONFERENCE IN ROME, EVEN THOUGH NATURALLY THEY DO NOT SEE EYE TO EYE ON EVERY POINT, THEN GAVE OUR GENERAL POSITION ON TERRORISM AND PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS PER REFTEL. ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS, ROMANOV SAID HE WOULD BRING TO SOVIET DELEGATION'S ATTENTION OUR HOPE THAT SOVIETS WILL SUPPORT CURRENT ORDER OF ITEMS ON PROVISIONAL AGENDA; HIS OWN REACTION WAS "I AM SURE WE WOULD NO OBJECT."

5. HUMAN RIGHTS (REFTEL C). FOLLOWING OUR PRESENTATION, ROMANOV (PYO SPENT SIX YEARS ON HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS IN NEW YORK) SAID THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE IN SOVIET NEGATIVE POSITION ON HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSIONER. DUBS

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